(a) whether on September, 9, 2004 his Ministry announced the sanction of several projects, i.e. four-laning of Hyderabad-Vijayawada-Machilipatanam Highway (NH-9), improvements (two-laning with pavement shoulders etc.) of NH-18 from Mydukur to Kurnool, Four-laning of NH-18 from Cuddapah to Mydukur and construction of Khajipet by-pass, four-laning of NH-18 from Tirupathi to Tiruttani, four-laning of NH-202 from Hyderabad to Yadagirigutta; and

(b) if so, the reasons for the delay in giving sanction orders for the above already announced project?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) The following works have been identified for four-laning on Build, Operate and Transfer (B.O.T.) basis under the National Highways Development Project (NHDP) Phase-III. Their status is given below:-

Sl. No.	NH No.	Stretch	Length (in Km.)	Status
1.	9	Hyderabad-Vijayawada-Machilipatanam	240.5	These works are taken up under NHDP Phase-IIIA. The preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) is in progress. The work will be taken up after completion of DPR.
2.	205 (not on NH-18)	Tirupathi to Tiruttani Section upto Andhra/ Tamil Nadu border	44	
3.	18	Kadapa (Cuddapah) Mydukur-Kurnool and Khajipet by-pass.	192.5	These works are taken up under NHDP Phase-IIIB. Bids for preparation of DPR have been recived and are being processed for award.
4.	202	Hyderabad to Yadagirigutta	30	

Highway building programme

3335. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether after a lull, country's ambitious highways building programme has picked up speed for two projects, companies have queued up to offer National Highways Authority of India Rs. 1000 crores to build two stretches

on NHAI as also bagged another Rs. 866 crores in a bid amount for their similar projects;

(b) if so, total highways projects that are under construction and by when they are likely to be completed; and

(c) whether all road projects are under completion and by when they are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has floated tenders for works pertaining to National Highways Development Project Phase-IIIA and remaining packages of National Highways Development Project Phase-II. During the year 2005-06, ninety five contracts aggregating to a length of 3706 km. at a cost of Rs. 23,597 crore have been awarded including two contracts for six-laning of two stretches of Vadodara-Surat section of National Highway-8 in Gujarat with a total project cost of Rs. 1066.77 crore for which the highest bidders have offered an aggregate upfront negative grant of Rs. 975.

(b) and (c) Details of National Highways Development Projects under construction/completion as on 30th November, 2005 are as under:

Project	Likely date of completion
NHDP Phase-I	96% by June, 2006
NHDP Phase-II	December, 2008
NHDP Phase-III	December, 2009

Proposals under CRF for Arunachal Pradesh

3336 SHRI NABAM REBIA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals sent by Arunachal Pradesh for financial assistance under Central Road Fund during the last three years; and

(b) the details of amount granted to the State during this period?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) Thirty four proposals under the Central Road Fund (CRF) Scheme have been received from the Government of Arunachal Pradesh during the last three years. Nineteen proposals amounting to Rs. 56.75 crore have been approved and Rs. 29.04 crore have been released during this period.